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VEHICLE SUPPORT FRAME

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notification to File Missing Requirements mailed on June 15, 2006, we enclose an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application. A copy of the Notification to File Missing Requirements and a Second Preliminary Amendment to cancel the additional claims for which fees are due are enclosed herewith.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to charge Deposit Account No. 16-2500 the amount of \$130.00 for payment of the declaration filing fee surcharge. The Commissioner is furthermore authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 16-2500 for any additional fees that may be due in this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/13/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/13/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/13/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/13/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 02/13/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/13/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 02/13/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$360 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee. are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$490 for a Large Entity:

- \$136-Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 360
 - \$360 for multiple dependent claim surchare.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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